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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the following information is brought to the attention of the Examiner, which information was cited in an International Search Report (submitted with the application on June 11, 1999 in Japanese and in English) issued in connection with International Application No. PCT/JP97/04684. The Examiner is referred to the International Search Report for an indication of the relevance given by the International Examiner to the cited documents relative to the claims of the International application.

JP 8-181438 accompanied by an English language abstract;

JP 6-283860 accompanied by an English language abstract, and is cited and discussed in the present application beginning at page 2, line 13;

JP 8-250857 accompanied by an English language abstract;

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JP 7-231149 accompanied by an English language abstract; and

JP 58-51436 accompanied by an English language abstract.

Further, Applicants bring the following information which is cited in the present application

to the attention of the Examiner.

JP 4-55555 is cited and discussed in the present application beginning at page 1, line 12, and

is accompanied by an English language abstract, and is also accompanied by family member JP 63-

126297 which is accompanied by an English language abstract.

Copies of the above-noted documents are enclosed. Each document is listed on the attached

PTO-1449 form to permit the Examiner to indicate consideration thereof.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the documents cited above and to confirm

such consideration by initialling in the appropriate spaces on the PTO-1449 form and returning a

copy of the initialled form to Applicants.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the

below-listed telephone number.

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